

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of:

Marc S. Hermelin et al.

Examiner: Neil Levy

Serial No.: 10/080,390

Group Art Unit: 1616

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Title: **MINERAL SUPPLEMENT**

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION

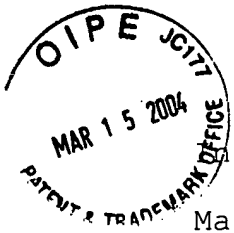
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P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated January 22, 2004, due for reply by April 22, 2004. Therefore, this response is filed within the time period set by the Examiner.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejection and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows.





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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are the following:

- 1) Transmittal Letter; and
- 2) Response to Final Official Action.

The Commissioner, in connection with this matter, is specifically authorized to charge any required fee deficiency under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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